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## **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT/COMMENT**

## **Reasons for Allowance**

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The primary reason for the indication of the allowability of claims 1-20 is the inclusion therein of the limitations of controlling to stop the ink curing irradiation when abnormality of the relative scanning of the printhead and the print medium is detected. These limitations are neither suggested nor taught by the prior art of record, alone or in combination as claimed.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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